

**NONPROVISIONAL PATENT  
APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL RULE §1.53(b)  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

For (Title): APPARATUS FOR THE PREPARATION OF FILM

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- ☒ 21 pages of Specification/Claims 1-15/Abstract are attached.
- ☒ Formal drawings (Figs. 1-7; 4 sheets) are attached.
- ☒ A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.
- ☒ An assignment of the invention to ULVAC, INC. is attached, along with Form PTO-1595 and a check for \$40.00.
- ☒ A Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Priority of foreign application No. 2002-196930 filed July 5, 2002 in Japan is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
- ☒ A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is attached.

The filing fee is calculated below and includes claim status after entry of any Preliminary Amendment noted above:

			SMALL ENTITY		OR	LARGE ENTITY	
FOR:	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA	RATE	FEE		RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE				\$ 375	OR		\$ 750
TOTAL CLAIMS	15 - 20	= 0	x 9 =	\$	OR	x 18	\$
INDEP CLAIMS	1 - 3	= 0	x 42 =	\$	OR	x 84	\$
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			TOTAL	\$	OR	TOTAL	\$1030

- ☒ A check in the amount of \$1,070.00 (\$1030 for the filing fee and \$40 for the Assignment Recordation Fee) is attached. Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-2300.

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